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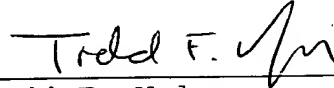
RESPONSE

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 CFR 1.822 and/or 1.823 and further to the Formalities Letter mailed March 14, 2002, 2002, Applicant submits a substitute diskette for the Sequence Listing in computer readable form, including a printed version of the Sequence Listing of the subject application. As required, a copy of the Formalities Letter is also attached.

Furthermore, a Verified Statement concerning the enclosed diskette is submitted herewith.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this response, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 10-0750/CDS-232/TFV in the name of Johnson & Johnson.

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